

change order of program and have report of state evangelist prior to that of the state mission board. Henry Wise, state evangelist made his report, which is as follows:

As your state evangelist for the state of Pennsylvania, I beg leave to offer the following report: I left my home in Parkersburg, W. Va., on July 14, 1897, and entered into active service on the 16th, opening our batteries at McVeytown, Pa., in camp-meeting on that day. We quit the field April 29, 1898 which would make 285 days. In this time we were off twice for repairs, at one time 32 days, at the other 42, making a total of 72 days, which taken from 285 will leave 213, from which I spent in visiting the mission in Washington, D. C., and the church on the eastern shore of Maryland, and the church in Philadelphia, all of which I donated to these churches, as well as traveling expenses from and back to Altoona, Pa., which taken from 213 days leaves 198 days in actual service. During this time we held three protracted meetings, preached 165 sermons, three of which were funeral sermons, visited 34 congregations and mission points, attended 6 communion services, baptized 2, received 6 applicants for baptism, which we left for another to attend to, reclaimed 8, received 2 from the G. B. church, transferred 4 from Mateland, where we once had a thriving little congregation, but after their house was burned down, the place was neglected, and when we visited it we found but 4 remaining faithful which we transferred to the McVeytown charge.

We also visited another point called Blacklog where Brother Koontz once held a protracted effort and took in some 25 or 30 converts and we had a thriving church of more than three score members including Hill Valley but we only found 12 remaining faithful to the cause. Then we called together and here organized a mission point which we added to the McVeytown charge. We also arranged to buy the Baptist church house at Valley Point and convert it into a union house as the valley is so denominationally divided that no one organization acting independently can expect much support. They agreed to sell it very reasonable for that purpose the figure being \$125, over half of which we had subscribed when we left there and have since been informed they have the remainder raised or about so. This ends the immediate results of our work so far as we are able to report, which does not at all come up to our expectations when we entered the field which brings us before this conference with a sad heart but there may be results from our labors of which we have no knowledge for which when we come to hear the final report of Him who knows it all, may say well done.

I received of the congregations which I visited, \$127.77 which has been reported thro the EVANGELIST except \$5.01 from Quiet Dale and \$5.68 from Oakland church. Of this amount I turned over to the mission board \$56.70, \$6.70 of which I received back, making \$50.00 paid the board which taken from \$127.77 leaves \$77.77 to which add \$1.09 re-

ceived of Brother Crawford making \$78.86 to apply to my traveling expenses which are \$51.42 which taken from \$78.86 will leave a balance of \$27.44 to be applied to my services which at \$1.00 per day would be \$198.00 from which take \$27.44 and you have \$170.56 yet due. Brethren, I propose to give the \$70.56 to the church as well as my expenses to this convention which will be about \$15 to \$70.56 equals \$85.56, offering to the church for this year.

With best wishes for the Brethren churches of the state of Pennsylvania, many thanks to the mission board and all the kind brethren, sisters and friends whose acquaintance we have formed and shared, God be with you till we meet again, if not in your homes or churches or conferences, may it be with our loved ones that have gone before on the evergreen shore—the paradise of God.

H. WISE.

At the conclusion of the report, Brother Wise donated over \$75.00 of the amount due him, for services rendered, back to the mission board. Brother Wise's report was accepted with special thanks of convention.

R. Z. Replogle, secretary of mission board, read the report of treasurer Albert Trent which is as follows:

Bal. on hand, June 1, '97,	\$ 13
Rec'd from sec'y mission board,	229 37
Total,	\$ 229 50

DISBURSEMENTS

Mary Sterling, bal. due for '95,	\$ 23 00
J. E. Shope, for Evang. service,	73 06
J. W. Smouse " " "	59 67
Bro. Wise, " " "	6 70
J. D. McEaden, N. M. B. per centage,	27 99
Int. on loan,	2 55

Total,	\$ 192 97
Bal. in treasury June 6, '98,	\$ 36 53

ALBERT TRENT, Treas.

After the reading of the treasurer's report, Brother Replogle gave his report which is as follows:

Financial report of secretary of mission board. Amount received from churches and individuals, viz:

McKees church, \$11.47; Johnstown, 44.75; Quiet Dell, 10.70; Jones' Mills, 13.65; Henry Wise, (collections) 40.00; Glade Run, 11.45; E. Conemaugh, 7.75; Altoona, 2.50; Grove, (O. M. Swinehart,) 2.00; Cowanshannock, 6.66; Mt. Union, 6.50; Bridgeport, 6.00; Clarissa Ball, 2.00; Lillie Autram, 5.00; sister L. L. Tombaugh, 1.00. Total, \$174.43.

Treasurer's report shows amount received from secretary, \$229.27. He counts from his report to conference. This accounts for discrepancy here. It is also due the churches to say that Brother Wise, State evangelist reports \$127.77 received from the churches, less \$50.70 paid to secretary of mission board, making a total of receipts since last conference, \$261.50. We owe on bills due, as follows:

Note of \$170 00 due now,	\$ 170 00
April services to J. E. Shope,	26 47
May " " " "	26 44

Total,	\$ 222 91
Amount in hands of treasurer,	36 53

Total,	\$ 186 38
Am't due Evangelist,	100 00

Total indebtedness,	\$ 286 38
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A motion prevailed that the convention accept both reports. Brother J. C. Cassel made a motion, seconded by E. E. Haskins that no more "per capita receipts" be expended for further mission work until the present indebtedness is paid. Carried. I. D. Bowman made a motion, seconded by Henry Wise that the churches assist the Mission Board by supplying their pastors occasionally for the Mission work. Carried. R. Z. Replogle made the following motion, seconded by E. E. Haskins, and accepted by the convention:

"That the minimum amount of Mission money expected from congregations be 25 cents per capita on members reported at the close of current year."

The following officers were elected; Albert Trent and John H. Knepper as members of the Mission Board for three years; John H. Knepper as member of Board of Appeals for three years; E. E. Haskins as member of Board of Supplies; I. D. Bowman as Field Secretary; Milton J. Beachy re-elected for a term of three years as Trustee of Ashland college. A motion was made by J. C. Mackay, seconded by I. D. Bowman that the convention stand good for the railroad fare for our trustees who may attend the meeting called at Ashland next Monday. Carried. Discussion after having benediction pronounced by Rev. M. C. Meyers.

FOURTH SESSION.

Devotional service at 2:15 P. M. conducted by Miss Viannia Detwiler. Lesson 6th chapter 2 Cor. Minutes of former session read and approved. R. Z. Replogle as a member of the committee on Credentials and Tabular Statement offered a motion relating to the Credentials as follows:

Because of short announcement of our convention, that all absent Ministerial Credentials that are presented to the Moderator of our convention within 60 days from the adjournment of this convention, that are properly signed by officials of the church, shall receive the seal of the convention. Carried. The Parochial Report was read, commented upon and ordered to be received and filed. A motion was made by J. C. Mackey seconded by I. D. Bowman that an order be drawn on the treasurer for \$10 to partially pay the expenses of the acting secretary for services rendered. Carried. A bill of \$3.60 presented by the secretary and a bill of \$3.23 presented by the Executive com. of the Philadelphia church for programs were ordered paid by action of Convention.